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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of William "Bill" Best Bounds, Jr., who passed away on November 11, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, William Bounds, Jr. was born on August 3, 1924 in Blanchard, Oklahoma; his parents were William and Beulah (nee Irwin) Bounds, Sr.; he married Julia E. Carr on June 20, 1958 in St. Paul, Minnesota; and

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WHEREAS, William Bounds, Jr. proudly served his country as a member of the United States Navy; and

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WHEREAS, William Bounds, Jr. began his career as a truck driver for the Denver-Chicago Trucking Company and Halls Freight Lines; he later went to work for James R. Hoffa in the 1960s as a union organizer; he subsequently continued his career with the Teamsters Local 26 in Danville as a business agent and was later elected president of Teamsters Local 26, where he served for 30 years; he also served as president of the Teamsters Joint Council 65 in Springfield for approximately 18 years, where he oversaw parts of 4 states and 30,000 members; and

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WHEREAS, William Bounds, Jr. served on many boards in

1 Vermilion County, including the CRIS Healthy Aging Center, the
2 Vermilion Regional Airport Authority, the Danville Area Labor
3 Management Council, and the Vermilion County Animal Shelter; he
4 was a past member of the Knights of Columbus and the Loyal
5 Order of Moose and a member of St. Paul Catholic Church; and

6 WHEREAS, William Bounds, Jr. had a love for all animals,
7 especially his dog Missy; he also loved sports and country
8 music, especially George Jones, and enjoyed singing and
9 recording several songs; and

10 WHEREAS, William Bounds, Jr. was preceded in death by his
11 parents; his wife, Julia; a brother, Stanley Bounds; and 2
12 sisters, Shirley Patterson and Jackie York; and

13 WHEREAS, William Bounds, Jr. is survived by 2 sons, Stephen
14 Bounds and Mark (Susan) Bounds; a daughter, Angela (Mark)
15 Hodgson; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and
16 nephews; a brother-in-law, Pat (Martha) Carr; a sister-in-law
17 and best friend, Carmen "Sue" Carr; and his many friends;
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
21 family and friends, mourn the passing of William "Bill" Best
22 Bounds, Jr.; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of William Bounds, Jr. as an expression
3 of our sympathy.